

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the title with the following amended title:

~~"MULTIMODE SOLID LASER PUMPED LONGITUDINALLY BY DIODES~~ DIODE-
PUMPED SOLID-STATE LASER"

Please add the following new paragraph immediately after the title appearing on
page 1.

This disclosure is based upon German Application No. 102 41 986.8, filed September
11, 2002, and International Application No. PCT/EP2003/010056, filed September 10, 2003,
the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.